

## What do you want for the I-405 Corridor?

We want to hear your comments and suggestions. Community involvement is key to the success of the I-405 Corridor Program. Here are some ways you can get in touch with us:

Check out our web site at:  
[www.wsdot.wa.gov/I-405](http://www.wsdot.wa.gov/I-405)

Call our Info-Line:  
425.452.9337

To contact a representative:  
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### Give us a hand!

We are doing our best to eliminate duplication, but we need your help. If you got more than one copy of the newsletter, let us know so we can adjust our mailing list.

## PROJECT MANAGEMENT TEAM

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## What is the I-405 Corridor Program?

The I-405 Corridor Program is a WSDOT-sponsored, community-based partnership. The Program is guided by three committees: a Citizen Committee of people representing a wide range of interests all along the corridor, a Steering Committee of senior level staff, and an Executive Committee of federal, state, regional and local elected and appointed officials from agencies and jurisdictions with an interest in the corridor.

The Program's goal is to produce solutions that reduce congestion and improve mobility, safety, and quality of life. The I-405 Corridor Program includes an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to assure that the package of decisions responsibly addresses environmental and community issues.

### The purpose of the program is to:

- Improve mobility for people and goods
- Preserve environmental quality
- Support vibrant, livable communities
- Establish the best package of programs that can be realistically implemented



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## BE PART OF SHAPING THE SOLUTIONS

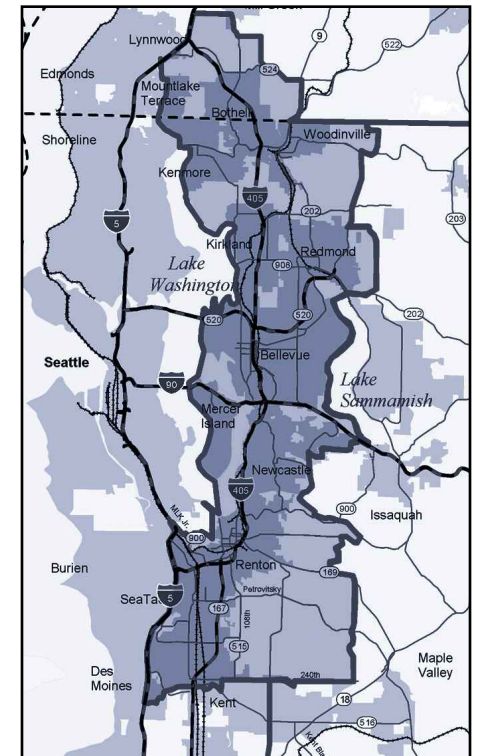
Today the I-405 corridor is the second most traveled corridor in the State of Washington. Nobody needs to tell you – traffic in the I-405 corridor is really bad! But if we do nothing, by 2020 average hours of congestion will increase by 140%, and there will be 50% more trips in the study area. That is why the I-405 Corridor Program was initiated.

We are holding an open house to get your help in shaping the alternatives that will be analyzed in the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) that begins in May. State and federal law requires an EIS to analyze various alternatives before a decision is made on the ultimate program for I-405 corridor improvements.

### Open House

April 18, 5-8 p.m.  
Redmond Regional Library  
15810 N.E. 85<sup>th</sup>, Redmond

*The site is accessible to persons with disabilities. Individuals requiring reasonable accommodation may request written materials in alternative formats, sign language interpreters, physical accessibility accommodations, or other reasonable*



Large shaded area denotes I-405 study area.

### Solution Packages Based on Community Input

Thanks to strong public interest and extensive participation by representatives from cities and jurisdictions in the corridor, the project team has received hundreds of great ideas. Over 300 specific actions were packaged into seven "themes" or solution packages for more detailed technical analysis and screening:

- Transportation Demand Management
- Transit/HOV
- High Capacity Transit
- Arterial
- General Purpose
- I-405 Express Lane
- Roadway Capacity

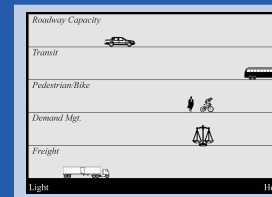
With your help, these themes will now be further narrowed into the three alternatives for the EIS. At the open house, you will be asked to review the information that has been generated by the technical team and tell us what you think should go into the three alternatives for the EIS. Results from the preliminary screening will be available on the web site in mid-April.

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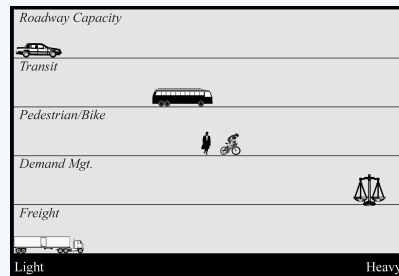
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# SOLUTION PACKAGES



These diagrams highlight a theme's level of emphasis on each transportation mode. This sample diagram, for example, shows a heavy emphasis on transit and a very light emphasis on freight.

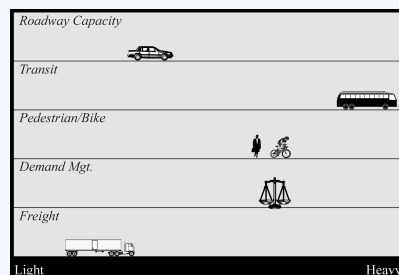
## 1. Transportation Demand Management (TDM) Theme



### Highlights:

- Promote ride-sharing through interagency agreements
- Transit and pedestrian oriented development
- Complete pedestrian/bicycle facilities
- Reduce in transit fares by 50% major employment areas
- Parking pricing
- Support telecommuting, work hour spreading and non-commute TDM
- Support regional congestion pricing efforts

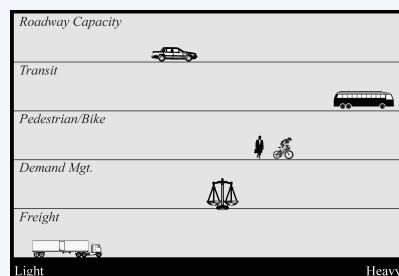
## 2. Transit/High-Occupancy-Vehicle (HOV) Theme



### Highlights:

- One new 2+ HOV lane in each direction (for a total of 2 HOV lanes in each direction)
- HOV direct access ramps along I-405
- Arterial HOV priority for buses and carpools
- Double current transit service levels
- Double the number of vanpools
- Add park-and-ride capacity
- Add transit centers
- Non-motorized connections to transit
- Support TDM implementation described in Theme #1

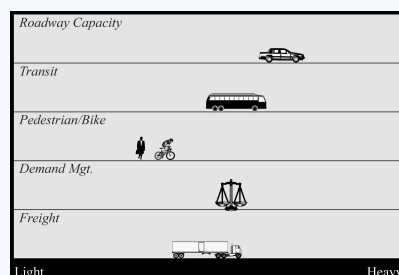
## 3. High Capacity Transit Theme



### Highlights:

- High Capacity Transit (such as rail or exclusive busways) connecting urban centers
- Ample feeder bus service
- Arterial improvements to access High Capacity Transit (HCT)
- Add park-and-ride capacity
- Add transit centers
- Support TDM implementation described in Theme #1
- Support Transportation System Management (TSM) Improvements
- Non-motorized connections to HCT
- Non-motorized connections to transit

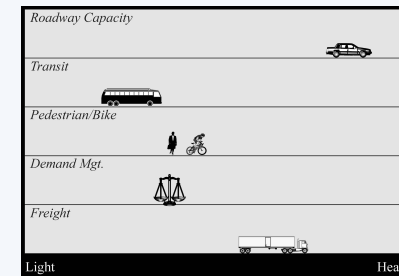
## 4. Arterial Theme



### Highlights:

- Expand capacity on some north-south arterials
- Upgrade east-west arterial connections to I-405
- Enhance bus service
- Improve key arterial freight routes
- Moderate I-405 spot improvements
- TSM/TDM and arterial bus priority treatments
- Arterial bicycle/pedestrian improvements

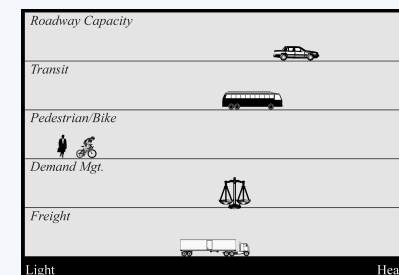
## 5. I-405 General Purpose Theme



### Highlights:

- Add 2 general purpose lanes in each direction on I-405
- Add one lane to major arterials connecting to I-405
- Implement current committed and planned arterial improvements
- Provide TSM improvements on arterial street system
- Support moderate TDM implementation

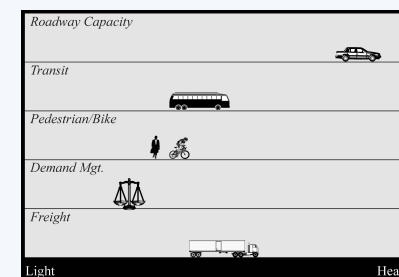
## 6. I-405 Express Lane Theme



### Highlights:

- Add 2 barrier-separated express lanes in each direction on I-405 between SR 167 and SR 527
- Limit interchanges to less than one every 3-4 miles for express lanes
- Moderate arterial expansion to access new express lanes
- Re-designate SR 167 as I-405
- Widen SR 167 by one lane in each direction south to at least SR 18
- Support moderate TDM implementation

## 7. Roadway Capacity Theme



### Highlights:

- Add at least two new general purpose lanes in each direction on I-405
- Major widening to parallel and connecting arterials
- North-south freeway in East King County
- Improve arterials connecting the new freeway and I-405
- Supporting TSM/TDM improvements

## Provide Feedback On-line!

The I-405 Corridor Program web page is ready for you to review project information and provide input right from your desk top. Go to [www.wsdot.wa.gov/I-405](http://www.wsdot.wa.gov/I-405) and look for the Open House link on the home page. An electronic form is posted and ready to take your thoughts.

Comments submitted on-line, along with all the feedback we receive over the coming weeks, will be forwarded to the study committees for consideration in their decision-making.